



## Media Advisory: June 6–29, 2016

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## Former Residents of Raphael House and Experts on Family Homelessness in San Francisco Available for Interviews

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**Who:** Raphael House of San Francisco

**What:** Interview subjects and expert resources for June 29 news saturation about homelessness in San Francisco.

**When:** June 6–29 arranged per request

**Where:** TBD depending upon needs and scheduling availability (Raphael House, off-site location, via phone).

### Detail

In response to the local media news saturation about homelessness planned for June 29, 2016, Raphael House, San Francisco's first and only privately-funded shelter and services program for families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, has pre-arranged for former residents to be available for interviews (as appropriate) during the weeks leading up to June 29.

Additionally, Raphael House Executive Director Ralph Payton will be available to discuss family homelessness, including: why the number of families in San Francisco who are homeless is underreported, how homelessness impacts the health and well-being of families and the effect it can have on a child's future, Raphael House's approach to helping families overcome homelessness, and the unique advantages of employing a 100% private funding model. Mr. Payton has more than 15 years' experience directing nonprofit human service programs. Prior to joining Raphael House in 2015, he was the director of Hamilton Family Center's Family Shelter, and before that he directed a large family shelter in New York City.

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